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ABSTRACT

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A subscriber end digital communication management unit for managing communications between subscriber devices and remote subscribers contains an internal LAN interface, an IP address manager, and a packet addresser. The internal LAN interface interfaces with at least one subscriber electronic device over a LAN. The IP address manager formulates a request for an IP address corresponding to a user-defined remote subscriber, submits the request to an external location, and records the response to the request. The packet addresser addresses data packets to the remote subscriber, using the IP address taken from the recorded response, to set up a peer to peer connection with the defined remote subscriber.